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March 2022 Edition

March Meeting Minutes:

Bob Liesenfeld, WB0POQ, called the meeting to order on March 5, 2022 at 1:05PM. 9 members were in attendance.

- The meeting minutes for the March 2022 meeting were approved.
- The Treasurer reported the treasury balance is \$1970.68. He also noted that he hasn't seen a bill for liability insurance for the last year or two. Bob indicated he would check with Russ to see why that is.

Old Business:

Everyone is reminded that March is the traditional month for membership renewals. The membership form and mailing address can be found on the MnARTS website at <https://www.mn-arts.org/club-membership>

A reminder: MnARTS is still looking for candidates for Vice-president and Member At Large. If you have an interest, please contact **Bob Liesenfeld, WB0POQ**.

New Business:

Bob Liesenfeld, WB0POQ, is in the process of reaching out to the Minnetonka Community Center to see what the possibilities for in-person meetings might be. Consensus of the attending members was that getting back to in-person meeting, hybrid or otherwise, is highly desirable.

Everyone is reminded that the FCC now requires that all licensees have an e-mail address on file at which they can be contacted. It is suggested that if you haven't logged in to the ULS system recently (or ever) that you do so now and check the validity of your on file address (you'll need your FRN and password). There have been recent changes to the website, among them being more stringent password requirements. If yours doesn't pass muster, your login will probably fail. If it does, and your current e-mail address is valid resetting your password is a simple matter of claiming you have forgotten your password. If not, it's a bit more complicated and time consuming, but the instructions are on the website. License renewal and account updating can be done here:

<https://wireless2.fcc.gov/UlsEntry/licManager/login.jsp> . The South Canadian Amateur Radio Society (don't let the name trip you up – see their "About"

page) has a list of shortcuts for common FCC interactions: <https://w5nor.org/fcc/>

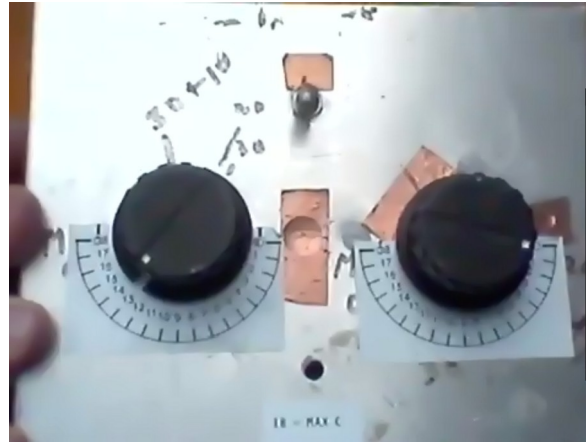
Show and Tell:

Eric Strandjord, AD0MZ, showed a straight key he has restored to pristine condition. He talked about using one with a buzzer as a kid to communicate across his house with his brother for hours at a time.



Mike Burke, KD0JXE, described his endeavors to build a dual conversion 20 M receiver around an NE612 chip which has met with varying degrees of success.

Bob Liesenfeld, WB0POQ, showed a ZM2 clone antenna tuner he has been working on with more robust variable caps than the original.



Presentation:

There was no presentation for February.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting on April 2, 2022 at 1PM.
Location to be determined.

Club Officers:

President: Bob Liesenfeld/WB0POQ
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